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1. The production of VEB Stahl- und Walzwerk Wilhelm Florin Hennigsdorf during the second quarter of 1953 was as follows:

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>Total</u>
	(Quantities are given in tons)			
Open hearth steel (ingot)	35,935	34,685	24,950	95,570
Open hearth steel (rolled)	28,125	27,230	18,355	73,710
Electric steel (ingot)	4,280	4,160	2,960	11,400
Electric steel (rolled)	3,490	3,275	2,245	9,010
Gray cast	16,730	15,270	12,780	44,780
Cast steel	15,180	16,380	10,970	42,530

2. The Hennigsdorf firm delivered the following finished and semifinished products during the second quarter:

<u>Delivered to:</u>	<u>OH steel</u> <u>(rolled)</u>	<u>Electric steel</u> <u>(rolled)</u>	<u>Gray</u> <u>Cast</u>	<u>Cast</u> <u>Steel</u>
Soviet Army units	19,730	4,820	12,460	16,580
Office for Economic Questions (BfW)	16,240	390	11,180	9,010

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DHZ Metallurgie	21,920	1,235	8,120	6,670
"Special building projects"1	16,510	2,890	13,725	10,300

3. The loss of about ten days' production resulted from the stoppage which began on 17 June 1953. Three hundred workers from various sections of the plant who went on strike during the 17th and 18th were still absent at the end of the month. The supply of brown coal briquettes to the steelplant generators could not be maintained. As a result, two of the open hearth furnaces were allowed to cool, and the linings fell in. The linings of most of the annealing furnaces in the rolling mill were similarly damaged, and these were still out of action at the end of June.

Comment: "Special building projects" are those in progress, on behalf of the Russians, in the Torgelow and Ruegen districts.

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